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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 94-88

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY FISCAL OFFICERS
ALL COUNTY AUDITOR CONTROLLERS
ALL COUNTY PROBATION OFFICERS

		REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL
Ì	j	State Law Change Federal Law or Regulation Change Court Order or Settlement Agreement
		Clarification Requested by One or More Counties Initiated by CDSS

SUBJECT:

AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN-FOSTER CARE (AFDC-FC) FIVE PERCENT SPECIALIZED CARE INCENTIVES AND ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SCIAP) FOR FISCAL YEAR (FY) 1994-95

Reference: ACL 93-85 dated November 1, 1993

This ACL is to provide you with instructions for the continuation of the AFDC-FC five percent SCIAP that was implemented in FY 1993-94, pursuant to Senate Bill (SB) 35 (Chapter 69, Statutes of 1993) and SB 370 (Chapter 1294, Statutes of 1989).

As appropriated in the FY 1994-95 State Budget, this augmentation will provide \$4.497 million to the counties as incentives and assistance specifically for the AFDC-FC specialized care program. The amount was computed using an amount equal to five percent of the estimated FY 1994-95 State Treasury appropriation for foster care.

SCIAP Information

The eligibility and program requirements for the SCIAP remain unchanged from those provided in FY 1993-94 program. Children eligible to receive the SCIAP funds include those children who meet all of the following criteria:

- o Have a health and/or behavioral problem (special needs children requires additional care and supervision because of their health and/or behavioral problems).
- o Are residing in a foster family home which includes licensed foster family homes and small family homes, the home of a relative or nonrelated legal guardian or the certified home of a foster family agency and receives a nontreatment rate.
- o Receive an AFDC-FC payment (Aid Code 40/42).
- o Are placed with a relative, are otherwise eligible to state-only AFDC-FC program payments, but receive an AFDC-Family Group/Unemployed payment because the federal linkage and eligible facilities requirements in the Manual of Policies and Procedures, section 45-202.3 and 45-203.4 have not been met.

Expenditure of SCIAP funds for those foster care children identified above is limited to the following goods and services.

- o Respite Care: The purchase of respite care services and/or the development and maintenance of a respite care program.
- o Direct Cost: The purchase of goods or services on a nonrecurring or as needed basis which are unallowable costs within the AFDC-FC specialized care system and are not available through any other funding sources. These items and services may include, but are not limited to, wheelchair ramps, apnea monitors, glasses, psychiatric visits, orthodontia, and equipment and/or activities which will stimulate the child's physical and/or emotional growth.

Allocation Methodology

The SCIAP allocation to be distributed between all 58 counties is \$4.497 million. Each county's proportionate share is based on the total AFDC-FC foster family home (including relatives and nonrelated legal guardians) and foster family agency certified home placements for FY 1993-94 as reported in the CA 237-FC. A list of the county allocations is enclosed.

Fiscal Claiming Instructions

Costs associated with the SCIAP are claimable with the September 1994 quarter. These expenditures will be charged against the county's allocation and will be funded with 100 percent State General Funds. The following Program Identifier Numbers (PINS) will continue to be used to capture the costs associated with this program:

PIN 100050 Respite Care

PIN 100059 Probation Expense

PIN 100068 Direct Costs (as defined above)

Should you have questions regarding this letter, please contact the appropriate staff for assistance.

Program:

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Claiming:

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Deputy Director

Children and Family Services Division

Enclosure

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SCIAP ALLOCATION

	Total AFDC-FC	FY 1994/95 Allocation
Counties:	Cases	\$4,497,000
Alameda	39,738	223,277
Alpine	199	1,118
Amador	312	1,7.53
Butte	4,616	25,936
Calaveras	733	4,119
Colusa	236	1,326
Contra Costra	24,488	137,592
Del Norte	910	5,113
El Dorado	2,441	13,715
Fresno	21,569	121,191
Glenn	769	4,321
Humboldt	4,103	23,054
Imperial	2,276	12,788
Inyo	353	1,983
Kern	17,569	98,716
Kings	2,389	13,423
Lake	1,687	9,479
Lassen	1,209	6,793
Los Angeles	323,754	1,819,088
Madera	1,877	10,546
Marin .	2,612	14,676
Mariposa	243	1,365
Mendocino	2,614	14,687
Merced	4,961	27,875
Modoc	285	1,601
Mono	234	1,315
Monterey	3,223	18,109
Napa	2,310	12,979
Nevada	1,032	5,799
Orange	26,001	146,093
Placer	3,052	17,148 2,579
Plumas Riverside	459 27,050	2,379 151,987
	35,525	199,606
Sacramento San Benito	781	4,388
San Bernardino	40.385	226,913
San Diego	56,419	317,003
San Francisco	32,101	180,367
San Joaquin	17,564	98,687
San Luis Obispo	4,120	23,149
San Mateo	7,557	42,461
Santa Barbara	5,012	28,161
Santa Clara	21,007	118,033
Santa Cruz	3,479	19,548
Shasta	4,462	25,071
Sierra	198	1,113
Siskiyou	1,766	9,923
Solano	6,344	35,645
Sonoma	3,955	22,222
Stanislaus	7,701	43,270
Sutter	1,192	6,698
Tehama	1,725	9,692
Trinity	413	2,321
Tulare	11,232	63,110
Tuolumne	804	4,517
Ventura	6,521	36,640
Yolo	2,411	13,547
Yuba	2,380	13,373
Total	800,358	\$4,497,000